



# March & April Newsletter

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THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT – BUN SALES, COMIC RELIEF, WORLD BOOK DAY, TRIPS AND SO MUCH MORE!

## Dates for your diary:

From 28<sup>th</sup> March – Parent Consultations

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Year 5 Assemblies  
Mandela Class 9.10am  
and Shakespeare Class 11am

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April Y5  
Mandela Towers Trip

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April Y5  
Shakespeare Class Towers Trip

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April Y4 Cross  
Country COUNTY FINALS!

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April PARENT  
WORKSHOP ONLINE  
SAFETY (by external  
provider Traci Good)

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April Easter Fun  
& Orienteering Egg Hunt

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April –  
Athletics COUNTY FINAL

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April YOUNG  
VOICES CHOIR TO  
SHEFFIELD



**Year 4 Times Tables** I attach a [link to a leaflet](#) from the Department for Education regarding the times tables check for year 4s from this summer. Whilst children will be prepared, we will not be presenting this as anything other than a routine part of their day / week. The game [Table Mountain \(www.interactive-resources.co.uk\)](http://www.interactive-resources.co.uk) and TTRockstars gives them a feel for the quiz. The information is for parents to keep you informed.

**Year 6 Statutory Assessments** These take place during the week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> May. The children complete a reading comprehension, maths arithmetic & reasoning, and a grammar & spelling assessment. Their teachers will prepare them well by revisiting aspects of the key stage two phase. This is the link to a parent leaflet produced by the DFE.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-1-and-2-national-curriculum-tests-information-for-parents>

Please speak to your child's class teacher if you would like more information.

### Parent Consultations

We look forward to seeing all of you over the week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> March. Please remember that Mrs Crutchley, as our Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator, will be in the library with appointments available through the booking system too.

### SCIENCE WEEK

Children have been designing lab coats and making windmills as part of this term's science fun. They've shown much curiosity as they have explored the science around this. Y4 'MakerSpace' pilot teamed with Sheffield Hallam University continues too.

### SWIMMING SURVEY Y5 & Y6

An email has been sent with this link regarding swimming Catch Up. If you are a parent of a child in Y5 and Y6 and have not yet completed it, please find the link here.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=dMjjcoVVN0q9IkD3l2aXmE9Eueo4istOqSVj3y-BVBNUQk9EMEs5ODIxWTRWVFZEVOpETTQwMTk3Ry4u>

### Creswell Crag, Kelham Island and Young Shakespeare

Curriculum enrichment - like yesterday's Year 5 Space Invasion visit at Outwood Academy Newbold - has been providing some wonderful experiences for children this term.

Year 3 appeared to really enjoy their experience at Creswell Crag. Once again, the activity leaders said how impressed they were with the knowledge our children had about their history learning challenge about the Stone, Iron and Bronze ages. The children demonstrated super manners too – well done year 3.

The Young Shakespeare Company experience in year 6 has resulted in some absolutely fantastic drama, writing and artwork. The role play and drama have truly inspired some of their best pieces writing so far. Do have a look during parent consultation week.

Year 4 classes went to Kelham Island as part of their geography learning challenge. They had a great time learning about one of Sheffield's oldest manufacturing sites and how it has transformed over time. Fantastic!

### Year 5 Assemblies – Friday 1st April

These are due to take place on Friday 1st April. To help as many parents feel as comfortable as possible, the year group will perform the assembly in classes. The first assembly will be for parents of children in Mandela Class and the second for parents of children in Shakespeare Class.

Parents of children in Mandela Class, please use the hall door by the field by 9.10am and take a seat in the hall. Seats will be spaced out and sanitiser available.

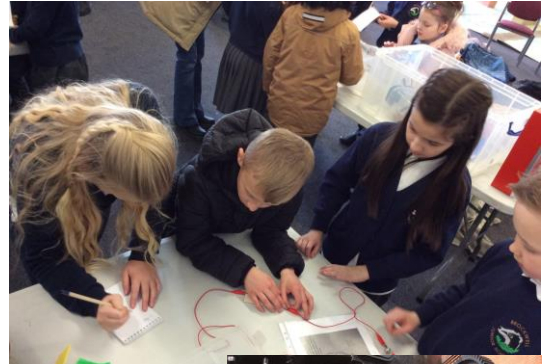
Parents of children in Shakespeare Class, please arrive between 10.50am and 11am (please don't come earlier as classes will be out at break and the corridors busy). Please come through the new entrance. During the day this is accessible via the car park. Please park off site and walk in.

The assembly is about 25 to 30 minutes and at the end children will say a quick hello and then make their way to class or break as instructed by their teachers.

If you take photographs, please limit them to your child as much as possible and refrain from uploading them to social media sites as not all children have consent to allow this.



Everyone appeared to have a fantastic time during Mr Dyson's STEM workshop.



Kelham Island Geography Visit



Thank you to Mrs Walton for our FOOD EXPLORER DAY



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**INSET DAYS 2022 - 2023**

**May 27<sup>th</sup> 2022, June 6<sup>th</sup> 2022, July 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022,**

**September 1<sup>st</sup> 2022, September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2022, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022, 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2022, 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023**



### CHESTERFIELD IN BLOOM 2022

Thank you for all the amazing posters for this year's competition. They are all vibrant, carefully crafted and an absolute joy to see. You are all winners - fingers crossed Chesterfield Council think the same! Here are but a few of the very many...

